# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

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FUNGUS INFECTION IN AIIMS
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether Government have received complaints regarding increasing incidents of fungus infection during operations in All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government thereon?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a)to(c): In AIIMS, the Department of Microbiology has been undertaking Infection Control Programme of all the Operation Theatres and ICUs ofthe AIIMS and C.N. Centre.None of the OTs & ICUs(particularly Cardio-thoracic andNeuro-surgery) have shown any fungal growth in the samples collected from these places for the last several months.

Postoperative fungus infection reported in a few patients if at all could have been due to endogenous infection particularly by Candida species.